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MONTANA TRIBAL NEWS:

[ARSON SUSPECTED IN ROCKY BOY FIRES](#)

By Associated Press - 08/15/2007

HAVRE (AP) — More arson is suspected on the Rocky Boy's Indian Reservation after two weekend fires.

Emery Nault, fire management officer at Rocky Boy, said a fire started about 1:30 to 2 a.m. Sunday on the Duck Creek Road, west of the Rocky Boy Agency going toward Box Elder.

That fire burned 350 to 400 acres before it was controlled, Nault said.

It threatened four homes, but they were not damaged, he said.

Another fire started about 5 a.m. Sunday near the Stone Child College campus and the tribes' water resources department, but was contained at less than one acre, he said.

[CHR SURVEY: PEOPLE FAVOR BANNING ALCOHOL AT NAID BY MORE THAN 7-1](#)

By JOHN MCGILL, Glacier Reporter
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They already had the idea they wanted to do something about people being lost on the Blackfeet Reservation to

alcohol and violence, but the specific form their project would take was something for which Blackfeet Community Health Representatives (CHR's) Honey Davis, Reynolda St. Goddard and Patty Welch would have to await future developments to unfold.

"We saw the deaths by drunken drivers, stabbings, beatings and people murdered here on the Reservation and nothing being done," said Welch. "So we went to all the programs - Blackfeet Housing, City Hall and so on - and asked them about what projects they had going on. That's the job of the CHR's; to do that for the health of the Blackfeet people, so we're trying to get a hold on the alcohol problem."



TRIBUNE PHOTO (08/10/07)/ADAM SINGS IN THE TIMBER
Five-year-old jingle dress dancer Victoria Daychief of Browning watches the dance steps of a women's traditional dancer during grand entry at the Heart Butte Celebration in Heart Butte on the Blackfeet reservation on Thursday, August 9, 2007.

ENDANGERED AND THREATENED WILDLIFE AND PLANTS; 90-DAY FINDING ON A PETITION TO LIST THE YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK BISON HERD AS ENDANGERED

Federal Register, 08/15/2007

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce a 90-day finding on a petition to list the Yellowstone National Park (YNP) bison herd as endangered under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act). On the basis of our review of the petition and information readily available in our files, we have determined that there is substantial information indicating that the YNP bison herd may meet the criteria of discreteness and significance as defined by our policy on distinct vertebrate population segments (DPS). However, we have also determined that there is not substantial information indicating that listing the YNP bison herd under the Act may be warranted throughout all or a significant part of its range. We will not initiate a status review in response to this petition. We ask the public to submit to us any new information that becomes available concerning the status of the YNP bison herd or threats to it or its habitat at any time. This information will help us monitor and encourage the conservation of the species.



TRIBUNE PHOTO(08/10/07)/ADAM SINGS IN THE TIMBER
A women's traditional dancer waits for grand entry to begin at the Heart Butte Celebration in Heart Butte on the Blackfeet reservation on Thursday, August 9, 2007.

UNITED LEAGUE OF INDIGENOUS NATIONS FORMED

From Indianz.com 08/15/07

Nearly a dozen tribes are the first signatories to a treaty forming the United League of Indigenous Nations.

Tribal nations from Australia, Canada, New Zealand and the United States signed the treaty during a meeting on the Lummi Nation in Washington. They called for every tribe in North America and the South Pacific to join the effort.

The group will promote common environmental, economic and cultural interests. Activists said it comes at a critical time, as governments across the globe are trying to limit the self-determination rights of indigenous peoples.

BLACKFEET WOMEN AND ART

CLASSIFIEDS, Indian Country Today (08/15/07)

The Lodgepole Gallery and Tipi Village Blackfoot Art and Cultural Center presents "Traditional Women's Art Forms: Images of Women in Art." The artwork will be on display through Sept. 7. For more information, call (406) 338-2787 or visit www.blackfeetculturecamp.com

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENTS:

UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA

LAND Use Planning/Environmental Law Professor

The University of Montana School of Law invites applications for a tenure-track position teaching in the area of Land Use Planning/Environmental Law, to commence in the Fall of 2008. More information, including a full position description and the hiring criteria, is available on our website: www.umt.edu/law .

Application materials should be submitted by October 15, 2007. The University of Montana is an EEO/ AA/ ADA employer